- 2. The method of claim 1, further comprising:
- prior to the virtual input device initiation event, displaying the application display on the touch screen without the virtual input device display.
- 3. The method of claim 1, wherein:
- determining the initial characteristics of the composite display includes determining particular ones of a plurality of portions of the application display to overlay with the virtual input device display.
- 4. The method of claim 3, wherein:
- determining the particular ones of the plurality of portions include processing an indication of significance of the plurality of portions.
- 5. The method of claim 1, wherein:
- determining the initial characteristics of the composite display includes determining a modification to the application display to accommodate the virtual input device display on the composite display.
- 6. The method of claim 5, wherein:
- determining a modification to the application display includes determining a modification to the spatial aspect of the application display.
- 7. The method of claim 6, wherein:
- determining a modification to the spatial aspect of the application display includes determining a portion of the application display to compress.
- 8. The method of claim 7, wherein determine a portion of the application display to compress includes determining a portion of the application display to compress that includes an active input field and determining not to compress the portion of the application that includes the active input field.
- 9. The method of claim 1, wherein the virtual input device initiation event is caused by a user gesture with respect to the touch screen.
- 10. The method of claim 9, wherein the user gesture with respect to the touch screen comprises a user touching multiple points of the touch screen in a position having predetermined characteristics.
- 11. The method of claim 9, wherein a position having predetermined characteristics includes a position having characteristics predetermined to be characteristic of fingers on a input device.
- 12. The method of claim 9, wherein the user gesture with respect to the touch screen includes a user gesture with respect to an input field of an application display on the touch screen.
- 13. The method of claim 9, wherein the user gesture with respect to the touch screen includes a user gesture with respect to a particular user interface item displayed on the touch screen.
- 14. The method of claim 13, wherein the particular user interface item is associated with the application display.
- 15. The method of claim 14, wherein the user interface item associated with the application display is an input field associated with the application display.
- 16. The method of claim 15, wherein the user gesture includes at least one tap on a portion of the touch screen associated with the input field.

- 17. The method of claim 13, wherein the particular user interface item is associated with a desktop portion of the touch screen associated with an operating system of the computer.
  - 18. The method of claim 1, further comprising:
  - in response to a virtual input device deactivation event, causing display of the composite image, including the virtual input device display, to be discontinued.
- 19. The method of claim 18, wherein the virtual input device deactivation event is triggered by a particular gesture of the user with respect to the virtual input device display.
- 20. The method of claim 18, wherein the virtual input device deactivation event is triggered by a particular gesture of the user with respect to the composite display, that is inconsistent with input via the virtual input device.
- 21. The method of claim 18, wherein the virtual input device deactivation event is triggered by passing of a particular amount of time since a last input via the virtual input device.
  - 22. The method of claim 1, wherein:
  - the composite display includes a visual indicator visually associating the virtual input device display with an input field of the application display.
- 23. The method of claim 22, wherein the visual indicator is an arrow from a portion of the virtual input device display to the input field of the application display.
- 24. The method of claim 23, wherein the portion of the virtual input device display is an input display of the virtual input device.
- 25. The method of claim 22, wherein the visual indicator is a differentiated display of the input field of the application display.
- 26. The method of claim 1, wherein the virtual input device display includes an input buffer display.
  - 27. The method of claim 26, further comprising:
  - transferring input from the input buffer display of the virtual input device display to an input field of the application display.
- 28. A computer-readable medium having a computer program tangibly embodied thereon, the computer program including steps for generating a display on a touch screen of a computer, the display including an application display, associated with an application executing on the computer, and a virtual input device display for a user to provide input to the application executing on the computer via the touch screen, the steps of the computer program comprising:
  - in response to a virtual input device initiation event, determining initial characteristics of the virtual input device display;
  - based on characteristics of the application display and the characteristics of the virtual input device display, determining initial characteristics of a composite display image including the application display and the virtual input device display; and
  - causing the composite display to be displayed on the touch screen.
- 29. The computer-readable medium of claim 28, the steps of the computer program further comprising:
  - prior to the virtual input device initiation event, displaying the application display on the touch screen without the virtual input device display.